

The Department of Defense (DoD) Information Analysis Centers (IACs) Enterprise is pleased to announce the award of its Defense Systems (DS) Technical Area Tasks (TATs) contract.

DS TAT is a five-year \$3 billion indefinite delivery, indefinite-quantity multiple award contract vehicle that offers expert research, development, test and evaluation, and advisory and assistance services related to research and development efforts in the technical areas of Advanced Materials; Autonomous Systems; Directed Energy; Energetics; Military Sensing; Non-Lethal Weapons and Information Operations; Reliability, Maintainability, Quality, Supportability, and Interoperability; Survivability and Vulnerability; and Weapons Systems.

Twelve prime contractors, partnered with established subcontractors, were selected based on their knowledge and experience in the DS TAT technical areas of expertise.

The twelve industry-leading contractors and small businesses selected for DS TATs include Alion Science and Technology, Battelle Memorial Institute, Booz Allen Hamilton, EOIR Technologies, Inc., Georgia Tech Research Institute, MacAulay-Brown, Inc., Mantech TSG-2 Joint Venture, Prescient Edge Corporation, Strategic Analysis, Inc., TASC, Inc., URS Federal Services Inc., and Wyle Laboratories Inc.

The DS TAT contract offers:

- a quick, easy-to-use process with tools, templates, and a dedicated customer service team. (It takes an average of 6-7 months from initial Performance of Work Statement (PWS) submission to contract award.)
- fully-assisted acquisition for only 1.2% compared to the industry standard of 3-5%.
- flexibility and innovation through cost-plus/fixed-price task orders, low price/best value method for source selection, incremental funding, any security clearance level and ability to work in theater, compliance with federal government guidelines for small business requirements, and alignment with Better Buying Power objectives.

The contract vehicle also aligns with the DoD Research and Engineering's three strategic guiding imperatives.

- Mitigate new and emerging adversary threats that could degrade U.S. (and allied) capabilities;
- Affordably enable new or extended capabilities in existing military systems;
- Develop technology surprise through science and engineering applications to military problems.

The award of the DS TAT contract completes the final stage of the DoD IACs enterprise consolidation from ten legacy IACS to three new IACs (CSIAC, DSIAC, and HDIAC), with DS TAT corresponding to DSIAC. The DoD IACs continue to provide operational relevance through direct connection to the Warfighter and enhanced strategic value through data reuse, long-term trend analysis, and recommendations.

For more information on the DoD IACs, visit <http://iac.dtic.mil>.



Information Analysis Centers (IACs)

Proven Strategic Sourcing Success



The Department of Defense Information Analysis Centers (IACs), administered by the Defense Technical Information Center, operate a portfolio of task order contracts for technical research and analysis.

In Fiscal Year 2013, IACs performed **over 600 task orders**, conducting more than **\$1.5 billion in research and analysis across the Department**.

The IACs have undergone the transition from a single-award to a multiple-award contract (MAC) structure. As of 5 Jun 2014, all three of the consolidated MACs have been awarded.

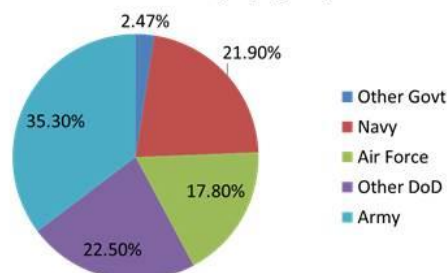
Success Metrics:

- 17-25% cost savings measured on 30 task orders issued under strategic MAC vehicles
 - Applied to \$1.5B/yr, total projected savings for the Department is **over \$375M in annual savings**
- Total potential of **\$18 in prime awards for small business**
- 7.4% faster** time to award task orders
- Approach includes **"several best practices for the Department"** (per memo signed by Deputy Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy – DPAP)

"We didn't have any difficulties because of the [IAC] experts that worked with us."

-- Air Force Air Combat Command customer

FY13 IAC Funding by Agency



"A Case Study for Better Buying Power" report by the Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS) found that, under the new strategic sourcing model:

IACs "will be positioned to create and sustain a focus on the Better Buying Power Initiative to improve affordability, productivity, and standardization within defense acquisition programs."

Pentagon spokeswoman indicated that:

"IACs serve as a proven resource for maximizing the value of each dollar the Department spends... in this time of budgetary uncertainty, the importance of DoD's IACs is actually enhanced."



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